

**Mission Bay Landfill  
Technical Advisory Committee  
City Administration Building  
12th Floor Conference Room B  
August 4, 2006  
10:00am to 12:00pm**

**Meeting Minutes**

TAC Members Present

Donna Frye  
Judy Swink  
Jeffrey Gordon, MD

George Murphy  
Robert Curtis  
Brian McDaniel  
Bruce Reznik

David Kennedy, DDS  
Barry Pulver  
David Huntley, Ph.D.  
Rebecca LaFreniere

TAC Members Absent

Robert Tukey Ph.D.  
John Wilks

Ben Leaf

Interested Parties/Alternates

Kathleen Blavatt  
Susan Orlofsky

Corrine Brindley  
Tessa McRae

Staff

Chris Gonaver  
Steven Fontana

Ray Purtee  
Mary Ann Kempczenski

Sylvia Castillo

The meeting was called to order by Councilmember Frye. Self introductions were made. A quorum was present.

**Approval of Minutes**

Meeting Minutes were trailed to the latter part of the meeting as attendees wanted more time to review them.

## **Review Draft Cover Letter**

Councilmember (CM) Frye thanked Dr. Huntley, Dr. Gordon, and everyone who revised the drafts of the cover letter.

Dr. Huntley started the process of going over the proposed changes to the draft cover letter dated Aug 3, 2006, paragraph by paragraph.

Dr. Gordon stated that the May meeting minutes should include under review of the TAC cover letter, that the City was sued and paid \$5 K in the worker's death. Concerning the San Diego Reader article mentioned in the first paragraph of the cover letter, although various public agencies monitored the closed landfill over the years, the article questioned the reliability of this surveillance and raised concern about the possible persistence of industrial pollutants.

The first paragraph with changes was approved by unanimous motion, followed by paragraphs 2, 3, & 4.

Dr. Kennedy asked, "Do we have an excellent or adequate description of the boundary of the landfill? Also, what is the fate and transport?"

Dr. Huntley responded, "Fate and transport is a term of art where one defines where the supply source of contaminants are and what chemical constituents are present at what locations; defining where the plume is as it were. We have defined points of compliance- groundwater wells- where we don't find mercury between the landfill and the bay. The landfill boundaries were further refined by the study, limited by the economic constraints of the budget."

There was a motion to approve the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> paragraphs. They were seconded and approved unanimously. Also approved were paragraphs 7 (1.a, 1.b) and 8 (2a, 2b). A change made to paragraph 8, 2.b. was: delete sentence "Therefore Mercury is not currently discharging to Mission Bay." Approved with 3 opposed.

A motion was made to approve paragraphs 9, 10, and 11 with changes. It was seconded and approved unanimously.

Tessa McRae will check the Executive Summary citation on the cover thickness, 1.5 feet vs. 0.5 feet.

There was a motion to approve paragraphs 12 - 17. It was seconded and approved unanimously. Discussion of paragraph 17 (5.) included using all of SCS's formulas for risk assessment and plugging in the numbers found in the groundwater wells to see if there's a qualified health risk. If so, then there should be notification and posting at the site. Also, the SWRCB website for Geotracker should be added.

Tessa defined "Geocacher" as an outdoor treasure hunting game where participants deposit a cache using Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) location data.

There was a motion to approve paragraphs 18 - 20. It was seconded and approved unanimously.

Tessa asked everyone to review the new COPC table that she prepared for the final report.

For Appendix A, a motion was made, seconded, and approved to have TAC participants decide how they want to be referenced and to get this information to Dr. Huntley.

A motion was made to accept the cover letter in it's entirely as amended to accompany the study. Motion was seconded and approved.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to send the revised draft report with cover letter to the regulatory agencies. Councilmember Frye will sign the letter.

CM Frye: Would anyone be interested in a quick press event for the release of the final report? After 41 meetings we have a clean copy and that's worth celebrating. Answer from the group was in the affirmative.

### **Future Meetings**

- Press Event (TBA)